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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Ashcroft:

As a small business owner, I strive everyday to accomplish what Microsoft has in the past fifteen years. I have never agreed with the government's pursuit of Microsoft for its successes. I am satisfied that this settlement will bring the lawsuit to an end.

This settlement, and its several provisions satisfy Microsoft's, the American IT industry's, the government's and most importantly, the American public's interest in this matter. The agreement creates a non-hostile competitive environment for other companies besides Microsoft and fosters innovation by requiring Microsoft to make available its intellectual property and source code on reasonable, non-discriminatory terms.

This agreement is the product of three years and three months of a judicial debacle and this should be the end of it. I strongly urge your office to accept this settlement and take no further federal action.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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